

FW: Atlantic Truckers Association

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Subject: RE: Atlantic Truckers Association

Hi,

So I spoke today with Jean-Marc Picard, who is the Executive Director of the Atlantic Provinces Trucking Association. You may have seen him on the media last Friday and Saturday. He has publically stated that the Association is recommending to all trucking companies and their drivers to **not** to participate in the Ottawa protest; in fact this was a recommendation from many trucking associations across the country. He polled his company membership yesterday and they are saying that out of the thousands of drivers in Atlantic Canada they are aware of less than 5 that are participating in Ottawa.

He also commented that most of the tractor trailers in Ottawa are considered seasonal trucks e.g. used for hauling grain, and therefore not in use year round (which is why they can sit there for weeks and not lose business). The industry feels that the drivers participating in Ottawa would be less than 1% of their drivers nationally. Most of the activity is from people not involved with the industry at all. As Jean Marc has said before, the real issue in this industry is the desperate need to recruit more drivers. He is expecting to see more supply chain issues in the coming months as drivers are maxed out. This event, and the vaccine requirement are not helping in that regard. Of note they have received some interest from Transport Canada to discuss the driver shortage so something may come of that.

Marianne

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Thanks. That would be great. The Minister asked the President for some insights.

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Jean-Marc has been publically saying they are recommending to their membership to not participate in the protest. I can call him and get more than that if needed.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 27, 2022, at 1:24 PM, Wade AuCoin <Wade.AuCoin@acoa-apeca.gc.ca> wrote:

Hi Marianne,

I hope all is well. Are you still in contact with the above group? If so, the President asked if we could get a few lines from them on how they see the convoy and how some of their members might be participating.

Thanks

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